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**RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION DATED MAY 31, 2007**

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated May 31, 2007, please enter this amendment and reconsider the claims pending in the application for reasons discussed below. This response is filed (or is deemed to have been filed) within two months of the date of the Final Office Action. While no fees are due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge counsel's Deposit Account No. 20-0782/1619.026169 (AIR/0039)/GGM for any fees, including extension of time fees or excess claim fees, required to make this response timely and acceptable to the Office.

**The Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 8 of this paper.